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HE REGRETS THE ERROR

He Forgot to Add the 5

California preacher Harold Camping said Monday his prophecy that the world would end was off by five months. Camping, who predicted that 200 million Christians would be taken to heaven Saturday before the Earth was destroyed, said that he's now realized the apocalypse will come five months after May 21, the original date he predicted, and that Oct. 21 is when the event will occur. (AP)

ANIMAL ADOPTIONS

Cubs to Be Called 'Ligerogs,' Or More Likely Just 'Awwww'

A Chinese zoo official says two rare cubs born to a male lion and a female tiger are being nursed by a dog after they were abandoned by their mother. Cong Wen, of Xixiakou Wildlife Zoo in eastern China, says the two cubs had trouble at first drinking milk from the dog but are now used to it. Ligers are very rare and are sometimes bred in zoos by mistake. (AP)

THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT

Vigilante Phone Sought Justice

Police in Maine say a man wanted for failing to pay fines accidentally helped officers find him when he repeatedly "pocket-dialed" 911. James Green, 29, was using a backpack leaf blower in Bangor on Saturday when he kept calling 911 without realizing it. The Bangor Daily News says there were two active warrants for Green's arrest for failure to pay fines. (AP)

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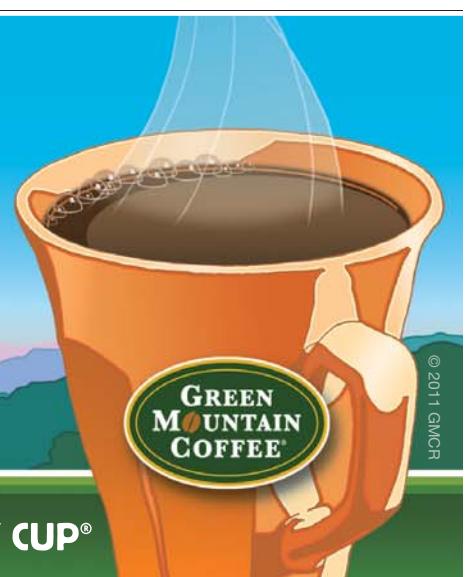


TOUCAN PLAY THAT GAME! A guest in a fancy costume arrives for the opening ceremony of the 19th Life Ball in front of the city hall in Vienna, Austria, on Saturday. The Life Ball is a charity gala that raises money for people living with HIV and AIDS. (AP)

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In Brief

JUNEAU, ALASKA

NTSB: No Cause Found For Stevens Plane Crash

No definitive cause can be determined for the plane crash that killed former U.S. senator Ted Stevens and four others last summer in Alaska, the National Transportation Safety Board said Tuesday. The board agreed at a hearing in Washington that "temporary unresponsiveness" of the pilot could be to blame. (AP)

SAN DIEGO

Police: Calif. Family of 4 Found Dead in Pool, Tub

Authorities are investigating after a couple and their two daughters were found dead Tuesday at their San Diego home. The bodies of a man and two women were found in the backyard pool, police said. The fourth person, a woman, was found dead in a bathtub inside. (AP)

\$1B

The amount of money approved by a House panel Tuesday for an aid package to ensure federal disaster relief accounts don't run out before Sept. 30, the end of the fiscal year. A \$1.5 billion cut from a program to encourage the production of fuel-efficient vehicles would finance the measure. (AP)

Frantic Hunt for Joplin Survivors

Reeling Mo. city sifts through rubble from devastating tornado

Joplin, Mo.

Emergency crews drilled through concrete at a ruined Home Depot, making peepholes in the rubble in hopes of finding shoppers and employees. A dog hunted through the shattered remains of a house, sniffing for any sign of the woman and infant who lived there.

Across Joplin, searchers move from one debris pile to another, racing to respond to any report of a possible survivor as another round of storms was closing in.

695

The death toll from a March 18, 1927, twister that tore through Missouri, Illinois and Indiana. Officials call it the deadliest twister in U.S. history.

As of Tuesday afternoon, the toll in the deadliest single tornado in the U.S. in 60 years was at least 122 dead, with maybe as many as 17 rescued. The National Weather Service



Matt Asbill rummages on Tuesday for belongings amid what remains of his office building in Joplin, Mo., after Sunday's twister.

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For coverage of Tuesday night's severe weather, which spun at least one mammoth tornado in Oklahoma, visit washingtonpost.com/national.

said that Sunday's devastating twister appeared to be a rare "multivortex" tornado, with two or more small, intense centers of rotation orbiting the larger funnel.

Jasper County Emergency Director Keith Stammer said the scope of the destruction was mak-

Trending Online

People in Joplin, Mo., and beyond have turned to social networks to find relatives missing since Sunday's tornado or to learn about survivors. One effort focuses on Will Norton, a teen who was reportedly sucked out of a car. More than 10,000 people have supported the "Help Find Will Norton" page on Facebook, and Twitter users were tweeting heavily about the teen. (AP)

ing it difficult to account for people affected by the storm. "There's a lot of confusion, a lot of inability for folks to communicate," he said.

From the air, the difficulty of the search was apparent.

The damage was "like taking a mower through tall grass. That's what it looks like," said state Sen. Ron Richard, of Joplin, who flew over the area with Gov. Jay Nixon and Sen. Claire McCaskill. He described the devastation as "down to the ground." (AP)



Spacecraft Makeover: NASA on Tuesday unveiled a new look and name for its Orion capsule, a cornerstone of former president George W. Bush's plan to return astronauts to the moon. President Obama cut the moon mission but saved Orion, which has been renamed the Multi-Purpose Crew Vehicle. The capsule will carry four astronauts and will land in the ocean, NASA said. Its destination would be beyond Earth's orbit, perhaps an asteroid. (AP)

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Nation

Israel Reaches for Peace

Netanyahu: 'Painful trade-offs necessary to begin talks again'

Washington

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu told a cheering U.S. Congress on Tuesday he was willing to make "painful compromises" for peace with the Palestinians, but he offered little concrete ideas to entice Palestinians back to the table.

By giving such a high-profile speech before overwhelmingly supportive U.S. lawmakers, Netanyahu was able to demonstrate to Israelis that he retains strong backing in the United States despite his frosty relations with President Obama.

He also moved the needle on territorial compromise, for the first time explicitly saying in his address that Israel would have to give up some West Bank settlements.

But undercutting his overture was his insistence that Israel hold onto major settlement blocs and all of Jerusalem, that it maintains a military presence on the eastern edge of the West Bank and that Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas scuttles his power-sharing deal with the anti-Israel Hamas.



Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu greets people Tuesday on Capitol Hill. (SUSAN WALSH/AP)

Declaration of War'

Palestinian officials on Tuesday said Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's parameters for a peace deal, outlined before Congress, fell far short of what is needed to resume talks. Netanyahu's insistence on keeping key parts of territories the Palestinians want for their state is a "declaration of war against the Palestinians," said Nabil Shaath, an aide to Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas. Israeli settlers, the Islamic militant Hamas and Netanyahu's parliamentary opposition also expressed criticism. (AP)

He also restated Israel's refusal to repatriate millions of Palestinians who lost homes in Israel during the fighting over the Jewish state's 1948 creation.

Last week, Netanyahu sparred with Obama, who had expressed support for redrawing borders on the basis of those Israel had before capturing east Jerusalem, the West Bank and Gaza Strip in 1967.

Netanyahu on Tuesday backed off from the dispute. Israeli officials said that was because Obama sharpened his position, but it is possible Netanyahu felt he could ease the assault because of the support he received in Congress. (AP)

Casey Anthony on Trial In Death of Daughter, 2

Orlando, Fla.

Prosecutors and a defense attorney for a Florida mother charged in the death of her 2-year-old daughter each presented new, vastly different theories of how the little girl died as the trial of Casey Anthony began Tuesday.

For the first time, prosecutors said Caylee Anthony died from duct tape being placed over her mouth and nose while a defense attorney for the mother claimed the toddler drowned in their pool and the girl's

grandfather covered it up.

An autopsy did not conclude a cause of death for Caylee, who died in summer 2008.

Casey Anthony, 25, who previously said a baby sitter kidnapped the girl, is charged with first-degree murder. If convicted, she could be sentenced to death.

Casey's attorney, Jose Baez, blamed police for botching the investigation, saying they wanted a media frenzy about a mother killing her child instead of investigating a mundane drowning. (AP)

Hearsay

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World

Obama Tends to U.S.-Britain Ties

President spends day mingling with royals, deepening relations

London

In the splendor of Buckingham Palace and even a fast game of table tennis with British kids, President Obama spent a full day of his European tour on Tuesday tending to and underlining the importance of U.S. relations with England. Along the way, baby boomers Barack and Michelle Obama cemented their deepening friendship with the 85-year-old queen.

In toasting Queen Elizabeth II

at only the second state dinner the British have ever thrown for an American president, Obama called her "a living witness to the power of our alliance and a chief source of its resilience." The queen, in turn, described the relationship between the two countries as "tried, tested and, yes, special."

Tuesday's state visit was all about images with a message before Obama delves into the gritty details of foreign policy with British Prime Minister David Cameron on the last day of his visit to England and addresses Parliament, reassuring Europe about its place in American foreign policy. At the same time, the president kept one



President Obama visits Queen Elizabeth II at Buckingham Palace on Tuesday.

eye on the devastating Midwest tornadoes at home, scheduling a Sunday visit to Missouri as soon as he returns from his four-nation

tour of Europe.

In the formality and ceremony of the president's state visit in London — and in the unscripted personal moments that played out — Obama was working to shore up the U.S. relationship with Britain and to further his efforts to see Western allies shoulder a greater share of the burden in addressing trouble spots around the globe.

As a special treat, the Obamas had a chance to meet Prince William and his new wife, Kate, who came down from Wales for what one palace spokesman called "a bit of a chin wag." The couples had a morning visit, but the newlyweds didn't stay for dinner. **NANCY BENAC (AP)**



HERITAGE

Family Secrets

For the first time, ordinary Russians can now see documents that appear to confirm long-standing rumors that Vladimir Lenin had Jewish heritage. In a country long plagued by anti-Semitism, such heritage can be a significant taint, especially for the founder of the Soviet Union who is still revered by many elderly Russians. (AP)



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World

U.S. Reaches Out to Libya Rebels Amid NATO Strike

Tripoli, Libya

The Obama administration reached out Tuesday to the Libyan rebels and said Moammar Gadhafi would “inevitably” be forced from power as the U.S.-backed NATO coalition launched a withering bombardment on the Libyan leader’s stronghold of Tripoli.

The NATO airstrikes struck in rapid succession shortly after midnight, setting off more than 20 explosions in the most intensive bombardment yet of the Libyan capital. Plumes of acrid-smelling smoke rose from an area around Gadhafi’s sprawling Bab al-Aziziya compound in central Tripoli.

A U.S. official warned the Liby-

an ruler that the pace of the attacks will intensify. Deputy National Security Adviser Ben Rhodes said, “I think we want to underscore to Gadhafi that the foot is not going to come off the gas pedal,” adding, “leaving is in his best interests and the best interest of the Libyan people.”

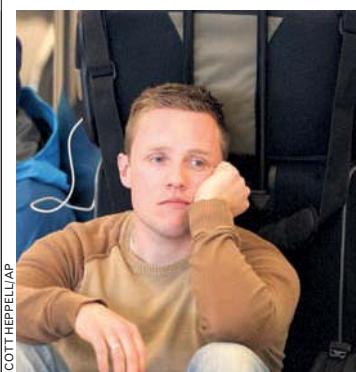
With its invitation, the U.S. administration bolstered the standing of the rebel National Transnational Council, calling it a “legitimate and representative and credible” body and extending an invitation Tuesday for it to set up a representative office in Washington — though the overture stopped short of formal U.S. recognition. (AP)

In Brief

LONDON

Ash Touches Scotland, Cancels More Flights

The Icelandic volcano is bringing misery and flight cancellations to thousands of European air travelers. Hundreds of flights were canceled Tuesday as winds blew ash from the Grimsvothn volcano over Scotland. Meanwhile, German weather authorities said airspace over the country's northern cities will close early Wednesday due to the ash. (AP)



A traveler waits at Edinburgh Airport after flights were canceled in Scotland. (AP)

CAIRO

Mubarak to Be Tried Over Protester Deaths

Former Egyptian president Hosni Mubarak will stand trial on charges of conspiring in the deadly shootings of protesters during the uprising that ousted him, the prosecutor-general said Tuesday, a major step in a country still rattled by protests and demands for justice. (AP)

TOKYO

U.N. Opens Probe Into Japan's Nuclear Plant

A major international mission led by a team of U.N. nuclear experts began inves-

tigating Japan's flooded, radiation-leaking nuclear complex Tuesday as new information suggested that nuclear fuel had mostly melted in two more reactors a few days after the March 11 tsunami. (AP)

SAN'A, YEMEN

Yemeni Officials: 38 Dead After Clash at Capital

Yemeni officials say 38 people were killed in fighting Tuesday between powerful anti-regime tribes and President Ali Abdullah Saleh's forces. Saleh appealed for a cease-fire. (AP)

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Changes Set for SmartBenefits

Q We had been informed at work that Metro was changing the SmartBenefits program beginning June 1 to have the two separate funds on the SmartTrip card. We were then informed that Metro had problems with the Autoload program and this change was not going to happen on June 1. Do you have any information?

No, we're aware of the problems and did a story after we got a wave of complaints from riders having trouble getting their bus passes properly loaded onto SmarTrip — but we haven't heard from the SmarTrip folks about an actual fix for the Autoload issue.

Dr. Gridlock offers commuter counseling online at washingtonpost.com.

Q Metro could have done fans a huge service by announcing the Nationals' rainout starting at 10 a.m. last Tuesday, before hundreds of fans took Metro to the stadium on a perfectly clear day and were amazed and irate to learn that the game had been "rained out" at 9:40 that morning.

My guess is that Metro simply has no system for getting and distributing that information to riders. It has the technology: the loudspeakers and the email alerts. But I can't think of a time I've heard or read an announcement on something that's going on outside the transit system.

Q Yes, it's legal for bicyclists to take a full lane while riding. I wonder, though, whether it is prudent to exercise this right on (for example) a single-lane curvy uphill road with a 35 mph speed limit, when you have trouble maintaining 6 mph.

When I hear cycling safety advocates urge bikers to take the lane, it's usually in this scenario: They're driving on city streets with cars parked along the sides, and they're hugging the curb, then pulling out to get around cars, then pulling back to the curb, then pulling out to get around cars. That's not a safe situation. It would be better to remain in the drivers' field of vision at all times, rather than popping in and out.

Q Would you care to comment on Metro's reducing its performance targets? Using the example of rail operations, the on-time goal has been reduced from 95 percent to 90 percent.

I'm not sure what difference it will make to riders, but it certainly sounds discouraging — to have the transit authority seemingly saying, "We can't meet our performance goals. Solution: Lower the goals." Some of the stated reasons for the lowering: Metrobuses get caught in traffic, and the D.C. region has some of the worst traffic congestion in the nation. Metro trains are now under operator control, rather than automatic control. If those are the issues, why not adjust the schedules to make the arrival times more realistic? That would have the most impact on riders.

METRO PULSE



What's the closest you've come as a pedestrian to being hit by a car?

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Local

AAA: Holiday Travel Up

Group says trips will increase despite jump in gas prices for area

Washington

Across the nation, soaring gas prices are putting the squeeze on Memorial Day weekend getaway plans, but people in the Washington region say they plan to buck that trend and travel anyway.

They will pay twice for the privilege, once at the pump and again as they burn that expensive petrol idling in congested traffic.

The American Automobile Association said Tuesday that its annual Memorial weekend survey shows a slight uptick in the number of the region's residents who

say they plan to drive 50 miles or more this year over last, though a gallon of gas costs \$1.10 more than it did a year ago.

More traffic will mean greater delays, according to INRIX, a company that provides real-time traffic information used by navigation applications. It ranked the congestion expected on southbound I-95 on Friday afternoon as one of the top five traffic headaches in the nation, with travel south to Russell Avenue likely to take three times longer than normal.

"Memorial Day weekend combined with an early start to a heavy summer construction season will create havoc for people trying to get out of town," said Kevin Foreman, INRIX vice president for mobile applications.

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The number of D.C.-area residents that AAA forecasts will travel more than 50 miles this weekend, an increase of nearly 12,000 from 2010.

Most people who said they were concerned about gas prices said they would eliminate other frills from their travel plans.

"Scrimp and save and still go," said AAA spokesman John B. Townsend II.

"The average holiday traveler from the Washington metro area plans to spend \$813 during the upcoming holiday period. Of that amount, roughly \$258 will be spent on gas for the journey."

ASHLEY HALSEY III (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Fierce Fight Over Feral Felines

Washington

The lowly alley cat has long been considered a hissing, stinking, brawling fur ball of trouble.

But a change has come to Washington and cities across the nation that might surprise anyone who has been kept awake by the yowling of an alley cat: A small army of volunteers is trapping feral felines, sterilizing them and returning them to the very alleys they came from.

And that has touched off a cat fight. Skeptics, including PETA and some veterinarians, argue the life of an alley cat is rarely pleasant. In many cases, they say it's actually more humane to euthanize cats, rather than the "Trap-Neuter-Return" (TNR) approach..



At CatNiPP in D.C., two workers prepare to release spayed and neutered feral cats.

Dana Madalon, an animal rights activist has spent 15 years volunteering in local shelters and is no supporter of TNR.

"The TNR folks are doing what's right for them, not for the cats,"

Madalon said.

"If you really love an animal, you will do everything you can to ease suffering in its life. The life of a feral cat is a slow kill."

(THE WASHINGTON POST)

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Evening Pick 3 (Mon.)	9-5-9
Mid-day Pick 4	0-2-7-3
Evening Pick 4 (Mon.)	9-5-4-0
Mid-day Cash 5 (Tues.)	2-7-26-31-33
Evening Cash 5 (Mon.)	17-20-24-27-33

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Cover Story

Someone to Talk About

Oprah exits after 25 years of leading the national discourse

Washington

The queen of daytime talk will relinquish her network television throne Wednesday to oversee the rest of her sprawling kingdom, which has extended its reach to film, Broadway, publishing, politics, cooking, fitness, the self-help industry, a fledgling cable channel and the throbbing crannies of America's heart.

"The Oprah Winfrey Show," one of the most durable and top-rated programs in TV history, is ending its quarter-century run with fanfare worthy of a president or pope — or of a woman, born into poverty in Mississippi, who built a media empire around her own nationally syndicated talk show.

"She has this amazing capacity to relate to an audience, which made her a star almost from the day she started to broadcast," said Barbara Walters, another television icon. "It's in her magazine, and it's in everything she does. She talks about herself, she touches the audience, and they become almost one with her."

That oneness has fueled Winfrey's show for 25 seasons, through 30,000 guests, a million studio audience members, scores of viewers in 150 countries, 48 Emmys and a Kennedy Center Honor. Her personal net worth is \$2.7 billion, according to Forbes, making her the only female African-American billionaire at present. She's used her daytime platform to establish a production company, a glossy national magazine and a now-shuttered charity wing.

Wednesday's finale will be her 4,561st show, the last in a long line of episodes featuring aspiration as entertainment. With Oprah as its guide, the country learned how to find its dream partner, how to find its correct bra size, and how to negotiate racism and religion-based fear. "Live your best life," implores the cover of every O magazine.

The cultural legacy of "The Oprah Winfrey Show" is at once intensely personal and too galactic to fathom.

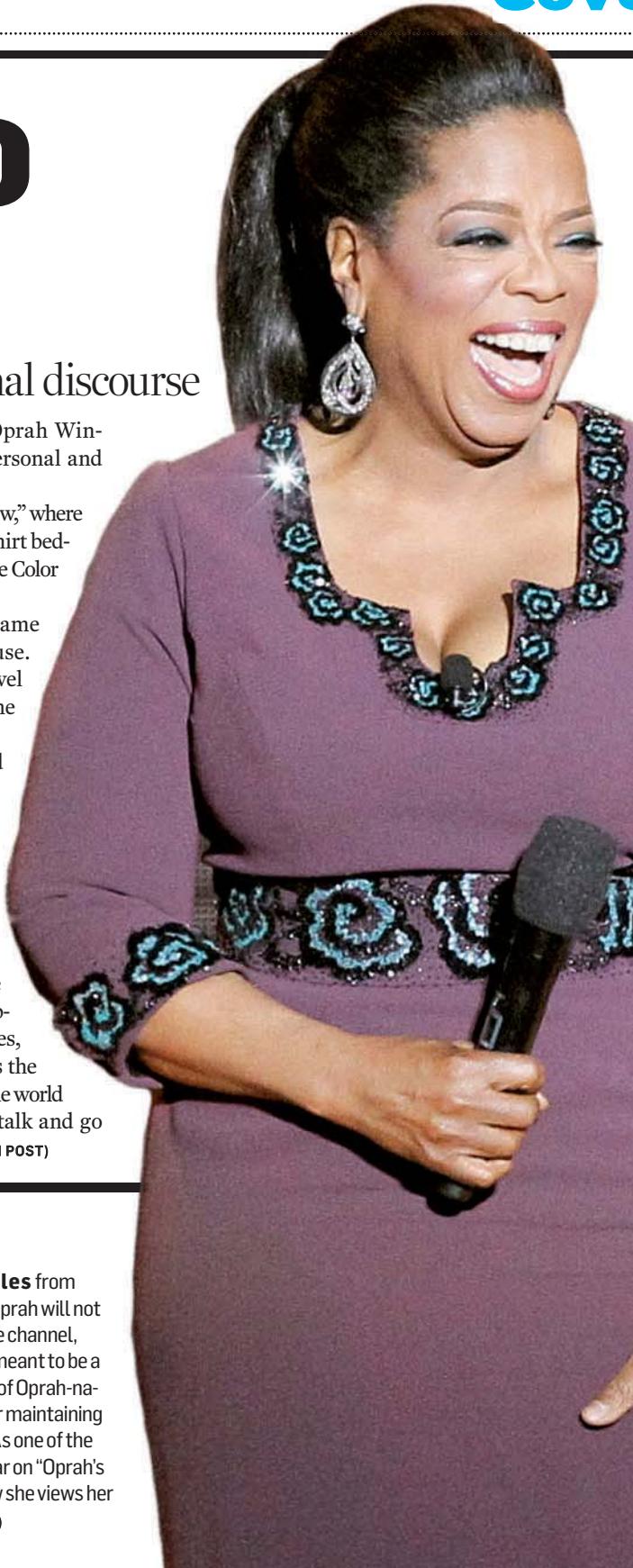
Without "The Oprah Winfrey Show," where would we be? We wouldn't have T-shirt bed-sheets, footless pantyhose or the "The Color Purple," the musical.

"Oprah" told us there is no shame in being the victim of sexual abuse. "Oprah" told us how a proper bowel movement sounds when it hits the toilet water.

Without "Oprah," some would never have picked up Tolstoy or dropped 15 pounds (and then gained them back again). Without "Oprah," the country would not be talking about so many issues so candidly, CBS chief executive Leslie Moonves said. "We wouldn't have nearly as much of the dialogue we have throughout America about what's happening in our society," says Moonves, whose CBS Corporation distributes the show. "She sort of introduced what the world was like and let people think and talk and go from there." DAN ZAK (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Not Going Far

Granted, she'll reside 1,800 miles from Chicago, in Santa Barbara, Calif., but Oprah will not be silent or invisible. Her nascent cable channel, OWN: The Oprah Winfrey Network, is meant to be a round-the-clock, always-open source of Oprah-nalia, with Winfrey as its spiritual curator maintaining a constant presence, even from afar. As one of the network's future offerings, she will star on "Oprah's Next Chapter," whose title signals how she views her ambitious new TV venture overall. (AP)



Before They Were Stars

Oprah Winfrey has been such an influential figure that being a frequent guest on her show has lead to best-selling books and spin-off talk shows for those in her orbit.



Phil McGraw came to fame as a guest on Winfrey's show, offering his brand of no-nonsense counseling.



Frequent appearances on "The Oprah Winfrey Show" helped Food Network star **Rachael Ray** get her own syndicated talk show, of which Winfrey is a producer.



Gayle King, a former news anchor and Winfrey's longtime best friend, is an editor-at-large for O, the Oprah Magazine.



Mehmet Oz, who hosts "The Dr. Oz Show," is the closest thing to an heir apparent. In many markets, he's being rewarded with the 4 p.m. slot where "Oprah" reigned.



James Frey's "A Million Little Pieces" became a choice for Oprah's book club in September 2005, making it a million-seller. Frey acknowledged in 2006 that he had lied in the memoir. Winfrey told him she felt duped. (TWP/AP)



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Kidd Stays in the Picture

Mavs point guard, 38, outshines his far younger opponents

NBA Playoffs

When the Dallas Mavericks selected Jason Kidd second overall in 1994, John Wall was 3; Russell Westbrook and Derrick Rose were both 5; Rajon Rondo was 8; Chris Paul was 9; and Deron Williams was 10. But nearly 17 years later, after several other dynamic point guards have already come and gone — Allen Iverson, Stephon Marbury and Steve Francis — Kidd remains the best pure point guard still playing this postseason.



It's not about speed and athleticism, which Kidd lost years ago and which the Chicago Bulls' Rose and Oklahoma City Thunder's Westbrook — who claimed first- and second-team All-NBA honors, respectively, this season — have in abundance. It's not about spectacular plays, although Kidd can still whip out a ridiculous bounce pass that splits two defenders from time to time.

And it's not about stats. It's about impact. At age 38, Kidd continues to find a way to influence the outcome of games, as he did on Monday, when he was responsible for the two most critical plays that helped the Mavericks stun the Oklahoma City Thunder, 112-105 in overtime of Game 4. After Dirk Nowitzki continued to be the most unstoppable offensive machine this postseason — scoring 12 of his game-high 40



GETTY IMAGES

The Decisive Play

With Game 4 of the Western Conference finals tied at 105 with 1:55 remaining, Kevin Durant — who is about six inches taller than Jason Kidd — elevated for a jumper, and Kidd stripped him. Then, Dirk Nowitzki found Kidd in the corner, where he pump faked to get Thunder guard Russell Westbrook off of his feet, watched him fly by and leaned in to hit the decisive 3-pointer. The play was symbolic of how Kidd gets by on his guile, while Westbrook is still trying to figure out how to channel that boundless energy to get positive results more often than not. Did Kidd travel on the play? Probably. Does it matter? Not really, because he walked away with the victory. (TWP)

"Everybody asks questions about the age and all that other stuff, but the thing I'd say to anybody is, 'Never underestimate greatness.'"

— MAVERICKS COACH RICK CARLISLE, ON THE CONTINUED STRONG PLAY OF JASON KIDD, WHO IS SEEKING HIS FIRST NBA TITLE AT AGE 38.

points in the final 4½ minutes of regulation to lead Dallas to an unthinkable 15-point comeback — Kidd provided the finishing touches in the extra frame to put his team ahead, 3-1, in the best-of-seven series.

The Mavericks handed the Thunder their first consecutive losses of the postseason and first back-to-back home losses in six months to earn a chance to clinch the series on their home court in Game 5 Wednesday night in Dallas.

Westbrook was expected to have an advantage over Kidd with his speed and agility, but Kidd has recorded 16 steals; helped force Westbrook into 21 turnovers and 34.7 percent shooting; and even watched his All-Star counterpart get benched in favor of Eric Maynor in the fourth quarter of Game 2.

"I'm just trying to make it tough on these guys," said Kidd, who is averaging 11.5 points and 8.5 assists this series. "These guys all have the advantage; if it's not speed or height, they all can put the ball up, they all score. Just trying to make it tough and contest. Again, I've been in the league long enough, I've been scored on, so it's not like if they score it's something new." MICHAEL LEE (THE WASHINGTON POST)

In Brief



Joakim Noah was fined \$50,000 for his anti-gay slur directed at a fan on Sunday.

PRO BASKETBALL

Bulls' Noah: Fine Is 'Fair'

Chicago Bulls center Joakim Noah said the NBA's decision to fine him \$50,000 for directing an anti-gay slur toward a fan is "fair" while speaking Tuesday morning as the Bulls prepared to face the Miami Heat in Game 4 of the Eastern Conference finals. (AP)

PRO BASKETBALL

NBA Players Make First Move to Prevent Lockout

The NBA players' association filed an unfair labor charge against the league Tuesday with the National Labor Relations Board, a move it hopes could block a lockout it feels owners want. The union says the NBA hasn't bargained in good faith, has made financial demands without offering concessions to the players and has bypassed the union to deal directly with players. (AP)

THE NATIONALS

Ankiel Comes off the DL

Nationals outfielder Rick Ankiel was reinstated from the 15-day disabled list after a sore right wrist kept him out of the last 19 games. Ankiel's recall became more pressing when first baseman Adam LaRoche was placed on the 15-day DL because of a torn labrum. (AP)

PRO FOOTBALL

NFL Targets Flagrant Hits

The NFL will punish teams next season if their players commit multiple flagrant hits that result in fines. The punishment will be financial, although league vice president Adolfo Birch didn't rule out further sanctions such as stripping clubs of draft choices. (AP)

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The number of innings that a minor league game in the Class-A Florida State League lasted on Monday night before the Jupiter Hammerheads finally beat the Clearwater Threshers 2-1. With one out in the bottom of the 23rd, Jose Duarte singled home Jaime Ortiz with the winning run to end it after 5 hours, 37 minutes — or just after midnight. (AP)

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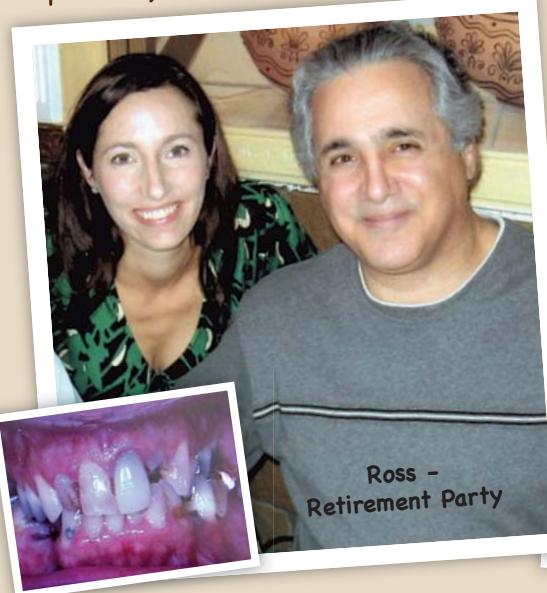
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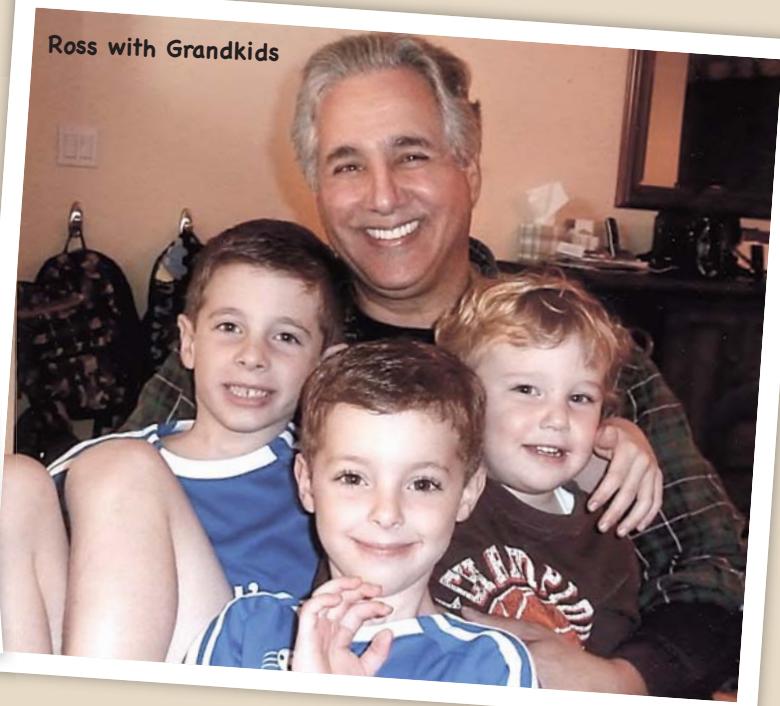
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Sports

New Faces at Practice

Union chief, rookies on hand as Redskins hold unofficial camp

The Redskins

Instead of coach Mike Shanahan, the authority figure at the center of the post-practice huddle was the head of the group formerly known as the players' union.

Instead of burgundy and gold uniforms with numbers, the 41 players on the field wore basic T-shirts and shorts. Several rookies — 10 of the 12 draft picks showed up — simply wore something with the name of their college on it.

Instead of Redskins Park, the venue was a Virginia high school field whose location was kept secret so fans wouldn't try to crash the practice and disrupt the school day. Yet some things were the same when the Redskins gathered Tuesday for the opening of a three-day, player-run minicamp. For one thing, the rookies were a bit nervous — and a bit overwhelmed. "Last night I couldn't sleep; I was so ready to come out here," said fifth-round pick Niles Paul, a receiver from Nebraska.

The surprise guest was NFL



John Beck is angling to be the Redskins' starter over Rex Grossman, a free agent.

Meanwhile ...

The NFL has canceled next month's rookie symposium, the first league event called off because of the lockout. The symposium, which was to begin in Canton, Ohio, on June 26, instructs rookies in money management and life skills, and allows them to meet current and former players. Teams and their draftees have not been allowed to communicate since the NFL gained a stay in court upholding the lockout. The league's appeal of an injunction lifting it will be heard on June 3. (AP)

Players Association executive director DeMaurice Smith, who answered players' questions for about 15 minutes after practice.

The Redskins' two biggest newsmakers from last season — Donovan McNabb and Albert Haynesworth — stayed away.

Of course, it wouldn't be a Redskins practice without a quarterback drama. John Beck and Rex Grossman, the two quarterbacks who were present, both say they are preparing to be the starter next season, even though Beck hasn't played in a regular-season game in four years and Grossman is a free agent. (AP)

Woods Still Shooting for U.S. Open

Golf

Tiger Woods' preparation for next month's U.S. Open will consist of time spent in a walking boot to relieve pressure on his ailing Achilles' tendon. He will move about on crutches to preserve his balky left knee and further alleviate resulting stress on his back. He will, he hopes, begin strength training on his left leg by the end of next week, because the muscles in it have atrophied from lack of use.

He doesn't know when he will hit another golf ball — in competition or practice. "Eventually, I'm going to have to start strengthening this leg again," Woods said Tuesday.

The Open at Congressional Country Club in Bethesda begins three weeks from Thursday, and it is becoming clearer that if Woods — still the game's most transcendent star, even though he hasn't won a tournament in 18 months — is able to play, he will do so with very little preparation, if any at all.

He could not rule out that this round of injuries — sustained April 9 with a single swing in the third round of the Masters — would prevent him from appearing at Congressional. Though he said "all my docs have said it should be ready to go by then," there is "absolutely" a scenario in which he would skip the event. (THE WASHINGTON POST)

TV Lineup

NBA PLAYOFFS (9 P.M., ESPN)

The Dallas Mavericks shoot to eliminate the Oklahoma City Thunder in Game 5 of the Western Conference finals.

NHL PLAYOFFS (8 P.M., VERSUS)

The Tampa Bay Lightning tries to force a Game 7 in the Eastern Conference finals against the Boston Bruins.

NATIONALS (1 P.M., MASN) The Nats close out their series in Milwaukee before heading home.

PRO BASEBALL (7 P.M., ESPN2)

Once again, the Philadelphia Phillies are on national TV — this time facing the Cincinnati Reds.

TENNIS (NOON, ESPN2) Second-round action at the French Open.



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Sports

Nadal Holds off Isner in 5 Sets

Tennis

Rafael Nadal excelled when he needed to most, winning the final two sets against John Isner on Tuesday to advance to the second round at the French Open with a 6-4, 6-7 (2), 6-7 (2), 6-2, 6-4 victory.

The five-time champion, who is 39-1 at Roland Garros, played a five-set match at Roland Garros for the first time in his seven visits.

"Always it's very, very close match against John because with his serve he arrives to the tiebreak and you play under pressure all the time," Nadal said. "For moments in the tiebreak, I didn't play very well. I was probably too nervous."

Nadal last lost a set at the



CHRISTOPHE ENA/AP

Rafael Nadal wins the first five-set match he's played at the French Open.

French Open in 2009, when he was eliminated by Robin Soderling in the fourth round. He had never previously dropped a set in

the first or second round. The top-seeded Nadal is trying to equal Bjorn Borg's record of six French Open titles and is considered by many to be the favorite at Roland Garros.

That didn't seem to matter — at first anyway — to Isner, the man best known for playing in the longest tennis match in history last year at Wimbledon. Despite losing the first set, the tall American held strong and forced Nadal into a pair of tiebreakers, where his big serve helped him put Nadal on the defensive.

But with only six unforced errors the rest of the way — none in the fourth set — Nadal proved he is still the man to beat on clay. (AP)



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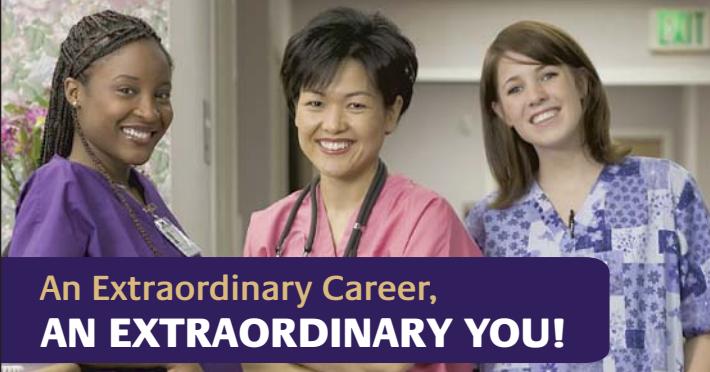


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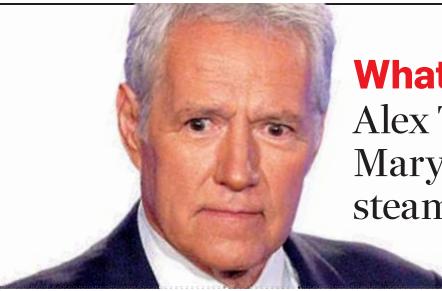
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A French Toast

It's been a busy few weeks for Carla Bruni, first lady of France. Last week, the former supermodel's father-in-law revealed that she's pregnant, which, perhaps, is why she wasn't in Cannes to mark her film debut, in Woody Allen's "Midnight in Paris," out this Friday in Washington.

She has only three brief scenes, but in them, she exemplifies modern French style. In tailored jeans, a gray tee and polished accessories, she looks the part of a tour guide at the Rodin Museum.

Many of the other characters (for reasons I won't spoil) don glittery fashions of bygone eras — clothes that represent how Francophiles like myself envision Paris: magical and otherworldly. Americans often have a similar perception of French fashion, believing that the flamboyance of runway couture is what defines the French aesthetic.

But true Parisian style exists on the streets of the Marais, not just in the windows of Chanel or Dior. Paris' tailored, understated street style makes its women look refined. In a film full of French caricatures, it's refreshing to see the country's figure-head representing the city's minimalist and elegant style so perfectly.



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SOUL MAN

With an ear to the past, Raphael Saadiq carves out his own distinctive niche

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Concert Preview

Offstage and out of the studio, West Coast soul man Raphael Saadiq has developed a friendly competition with the members of his backing band. "We have iPod wars to see who plays the best music," he says. "Somebody might play a song from the Spinners, then somebody else might play something from Michael Henderson, then somebody might play a rare Tower of Power live track. We're just surprising each other with music."

As Edwin Starr might say: iPod war — what is it good for? In addition to wiling away the hours between gigs, the communal DJing game exposes Saadiq to all sorts of new music. He might have a nearly encyclopedic knowl-

Behind the Music

Raphael Saadiq says he feels like an emerging artist, with new fans continually discovering his music. "At shows, I'll ask who's here seeing me for the first time, and it seems like everybody raises their hand," he says. But he's been stone rollin' for nearly a quarter-century, with an impressive range of projects:



Sheila E.: As a teenager, Saadiq toured with Sheila E.'s backing band while she was opening for Prince.

Tony! Toni! Toné!: In the late 1980s, Saadiq formed this groundbreaking R&B band with his brother and cousin, notching hits such as "Feels Good," "If I Had No Loot" and "Anniversary."

Lucy Pearl: After the break-up of the Tonys, Saadiq co-founded this short-lived supergroup with Dawn Robinson of En Vogue and DJ Ali Shaheed Muhammad of A Tribe Called Quest. They released one album in 2000.

Mick Jagger: At the 2011 Grammys, Saadiq backed Jagger during his performance of "Everybody Needs Somebody to Love," a tribute to the late Solomon Burke. S.M.D.



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edge of soul, R&B and funk, but he admits his bandmates often stump him. "I don't even know some of the stuff they're playing," he says. "It's just music, music, music all the time."

On his fourth solo album, the energetic and exuberant "Stone Rollin'," Saadiq turns all that music into thumping songs that incorporate the frantic vibe of Sly Stone, the sleek charisma of Motown, the hyperbolic orchestrations of Philly, and the gritty rhythms of Stax. He finds new ways to play old sounds, which has made him one of the stars of the ongoing soul revival.

An experienced producer who has worked with Joss Stone, Mary J. Blige and John Legend, among others, Saadiq is a see-what-works type of guy in the studio. "That's my process — just seeing what I can come up with that day," he says. "I'm not one of those guys who like to think it all out in advance."

His heart is in the past, but Saadiq skirts pastiche simply by writing the kind of songs he wants to play live: inventive, melodic and fun. "If I'm going back out on tour, I want to make a record that'll sound good on the road," he explains. "I want it to be a little louder, a lot more aggressive."

His shows have the lively flair of an old soul revue, with tight playing, crisp suits circa "Mad Men" and synchronized dance moves. It's a spectacle, but it's all in service to the music, which Saadiq says is "the first language in my house."

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No television drama exists in a vacuum. Many of the best draw freely from unscripted, unruly real life.

That's certainly the case with "Treme," HBO's glorious series set in post-Katrina New Orleans.

A flood and its aftermath are what "Treme" is about, though no one would call it a disaster drama. Instead, it focuses on a wide swath of locals and their stubborn insistence on returning to normal life, which is to say, to the distinctive, sassy good life of New Orleans that has always outlived one disaster after another.

"It has always been a city where calamity and death are intertwined with the city's vibrancy in a very strange way," says "Treme" co-creator David Simon. In the hands of Simon and co-creator Eric Overmyer, this raw truth has nourished a piquantly authentic tale as "Treme" unfolds in its second season (airing Sundays at 10 p.m.).

For five seasons, "Treme's" Simon and Overmyer drilled into current-day politics, public schools, law enforcement and journalism as



On "Treme," Wendell Pierce, right (with Phyllis Montana LeBlanc), plays a musician trying to rebuild his life after Katrina.

"We're really following the history of post-Katrina New Orleans and using it as a metaphor for what's happened to urban America. We feel a responsibility to not cheat at narrative too much, and that limits us in some ways."

— DAVID SIMON, CO-CREATOR OF "TREME" AND "THE WIRE," ON HOW THE NEW ORLEANS-SET "TREME" BALANCES REAL-LIFE EVENTS WITH THE FICTIONAL ASPECTS OF ITS STORY.

they mined the many urban crises afflicting Baltimore in their celebrated HBO drama series, "The Wire."

Then, last spring, they returned to HBO with "Treme." But while their feet were again firmly planted

in reality, they had taken on a new challenge as they reached beyond the make-believe: They were telling a story set not in the emergent current day, but in the fixed-in-place recent past.

"The Wire" existed in a fiction-

al present, so you could respond a little more directly to whatever the headlines were," Overmyer says.

"Treme" began its first season set in fall 2005, three months after Hurricane Katrina, and continued through Mardi Gras 2006.

This season, the series covers roughly the same ground, a year later.

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Mark Burnett and wife Roma Downey will bring the Bible to the small screen.

History Bets on The Bible

Television

History has big plans to make must-see TV out of the Bible.

The project, which comes from reality producer Mark Burnett, will air as a five-part, 10-hour scripted docu-drama with live-action and CGI. Given its scale and production value, "The Bible" won't appear on History's schedule until 2013.

"This is probably the most important book in mankind, regardless of your beliefs or religious affiliation," History president Nancy Dubuc says.

The series, conceived by Burnett and his wife, actress Roma Downey, will set out to tell the tome's stories, from Noah's Ark to the Exodus.

(THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER)

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1 Strum Total

The Sweater Set, a local ukulele/guitar/flute/accordion/etc. duo (Sara Curtin, far left, and Maureen Andary) known for sweet harmonies and catchy acoustic hooks, have been on a two-woman crusade to bring the heartwarming uke to steely Washington. Check them out (for free!) Thursday night. **Kennedy Center, 2700 F St. NW; Thu., 6 p.m., free; 202-467-4600, Kennedy-center.org. (Foggy Bottom)**

2 Mighty Aphrodite

Author Leopold von Sacher-Masoch might not have the name recognition of the Marquis de Sade, but he's the namesake of "masochism." (S&M: perfect together!) Noted absurdist playwright David Ives has adapted one of Sacher-Masoch's novels, "Venus in Fur," as the story of a director-playwright, an actress and the intersection of pleasure and pain. Obviously, leave the kids at home. **Studio Theatre, 1501 14th St. NW; through July 3, \$35-\$65; 202-332-3300, Studiotheatre.org. (Dupont Circle)**

3 Become a Little Kosher

Did you know it's Jewish American Heritage Month? Neither did we, and, alas, it's almost over. Reality show star and chef Spike Mendelsohn, left, who just opened deli food truck Sixth & Rye; and cookbook author Joan Nathan will team up to explore Jewish food traditions. **National Archives, Constitution Avenue and 7th Street NW; 7 p.m., free; 877-444-6777, Archives.gov. (Archives)**

TV tonight lookout

The Kids Are All Right

In a gifted ensemble, 'Modern Family's' four child actors stand out

Comedy

ABC 9:00 What sets "Modern Family" apart is the talent and, most notably, the comic timing of its younger players. The stars of many sitcoms, even the best sitcoms, seemed to follow W.C. Fields' disdain for sharing scenes with children and canines. "Seinfeld" used kids only rarely and usually as an absurd foil for George's or Kramer's outrageous antics. "Everybody Loves Raymond" all but wrote the kids out of the picture. "Raymond" veteran Patricia Heaton has certainly written three interesting offspring into her latest series, "The Middle," but that comedy often seems to try a tad too hard and lacks the effortless chemistry of "Modern Family."

If you must name a first among equals in this ensemble, it would be



"Modern Family's" kids: Rico Rodriguez, Ariel Winter, Sarah Hyland and Nolan Gould.

Ed O'Neill as Jay. On a series where it seems every character wants to dissect and share his feelings, Jay behaves as if his tear ducts have been removed. That's what makes his emotional outbursts all the more funny. And touching.

Jay reached new depths of feelings on the Mother's Day episode when the very smell of a meat sauce cooked from his mother's recipe provoked unwanted waterworks.

But that episode also belonged to Manny (Rico Rodriguez), Luke (Nolan Gould), Haley (Sarah Hyland) and Alex (Ariel Winter), whose conspiracy to blunt Claire's guilt trip was hatched in a scene performed with effortless charm.

It's a treat to watch such young talent given such sophisticated material and hitting their lines out of the park. **KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)**

Best Bets

ABC 8:00

The Middle Three days are left in the school year, which means some last-minute scrambling for the Heck kids. Especially Brick (Atticus Shaffer, pictured), who needs to come up with a journal to turn in, or he won't be promoted.



NBC 8:00

Minute to Win It Folks usually play in pairs on this game show, but in a twist on that formula, this pair of episodes feature a family of five working together to win the \$1 million prize. Will many hands make easy work of it, or will too many cooks spoil the proverbial broth?

ABC 9:30

Cougar Town Travis' abrupt move to Hawaii has the gang following him there and deciding to stick around for a vacation. As Jules comes to grips with her son's decision, Grayson has something to tell her.

CBS 10:00

Criminal Minds: Suspect Behavior French Stewart guests as a man suspected of committing random shootings in crowded areas. As Cooper and the team try to crack the case, going undercover with Prophet puts the life of Beth (Janeane Garofalo, pictured) in danger in the season finale. **(TRIBUNE MEDIA)**



Competition

Teenage Dreams

The top 13 "American Idol" (8 p.m., Fox) finalists reunite for the last time before host Ryan Seacrest reveals which teenager—Lauren Alaina, left, or Scotty McCreery, right—is the 10th American Idol. U2's Bono and the Edge are among those who will perform before the big announcement. **(TM)**



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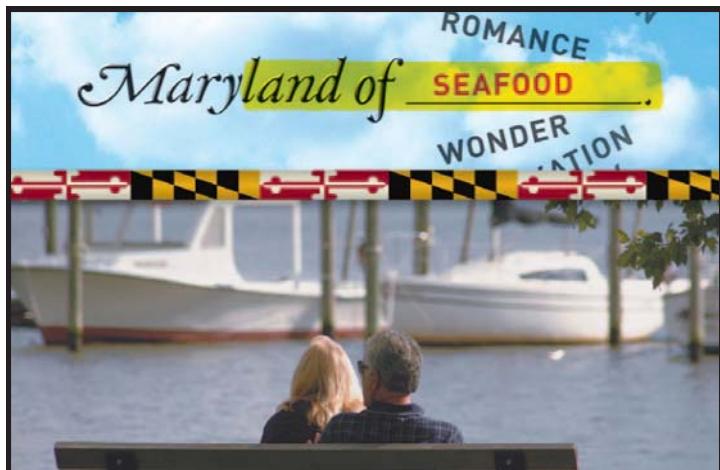
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W. Mass. Appeal

Tune in to the region's rustic charms to find history, hiking and fun

Adventure

Some tourist attractions can be easily experienced, by taking in a scenic view or driving down a famous byway. But other places must be explored to be appreciated, with layers revealed as you go. That's how it is in Western Massachusetts, with sites such as the Emily Dickinson Museum, the Quabbin Reservoir's "accidental wilderness" and many other treasures — from great restaurants to unusual bookstores — waiting to be discovered.

Of course there are Wal-Marts, Starbucks and Dunkin' Donuts here, just like everywhere else. But you can also tune in to the region's bucolic, historic side by driving for miles along winding roads past small farms, town squares, and communities founded in the 17th and 18th centuries.

As you roam around, you'll see that each town has a unique claim to fame. Deerfield is famous as the site of an attack in 1704 by Native Americans and their French allies in which more than 40 villagers were killed. In Shelburne Falls, blooms change by the season on the Bridge of Flowers. Tulips were big in early May; vibrant pink peonies will flower soon.



Ware, Mass., boasts the Quabbin Reservoir, which is perfect for hiking and biking.

If You Visit W. Mass.

A tour of the Emily Dickinson Museum exposes unexpected layers, and Quabbin Reservoir offers trails that go through woods.

- **Emily Dickinson Museum:** 280 Main St., Amherst, Mass.; Emilydickinsonmuseum.org or 413-542-8161.
- **Quabbin Reservoir and Park:** Visitor Center, 485 Ware Road, Route 9, Belchertown, Mass.; Mass.gov/dcr/parks/central/quabbin.htm or 413-323-7221.

consists of 120,000 acres of forests and meadows.

"The term 'accidental wilderness' captures the essence of it," said Clif Read, supervisor of Quabbin's interpretive services.

Then set aside a couple hours to immerse yourself in the world of Dickinson and tour the Homestead, the house where she lived and died.

Small towns and rural areas don't always offer fine dining, but this region does. Recommendations from locals include, in Northampton, Osaka (sushi), Mulinno's (Italian), Amanouz (Moroccan), the Eastside Grill, and for breakfast, Sylvester's; Chez Albert, a French bistro, in Amherst; and La Veracruzana, for Mexican, in Amherst and in Northampton.

BETH J. HARPAZ (AP)

For a unique outdoor experience, visit the area surrounding the Quabbin Reservoir, which was created in the 1930s when four towns were moved to make way for a 39-square-mile reservoir fed by local rivers. The watershed area

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food lookout

Next Call For Hall?

With her oversized hair and vibrant personality, Carla Hall is the "Top Chef" alum who hooty-hooed her way into America's hearts. This weekend Washingtonians can see the local fan fave in action when "Top Chef: The Tour" stops at Eastern Market (Seventh St. and N. Carolina Ave. SE). On Saturday, Hall will get out her knives and cutting board against "Top Chef" Ariane Duarte in three quick-fires at 10:30 a.m., noon and 1:30 p.m. She'll also judge similar culinary battles between Duarte and Spike Mendelsohn on Sunday (same times). It's one of the many irons the 47-year-old has in the fire as she brainstorms a future cafe and preps for a new gig as foodie talk show host. KRIS CORONADO

Will it be hard to judge these two? Spike is a fellow D.C. chef, and Ariane is an alum from your first "Top Chef" season in New York.

Yes. I hate judging. The thing is, I like Spike's food and Ariane's food because it's approachable.

Your company, Alchemy Caterers, recently became Alchemy by Carla Hall. What brought that about?

When I went back for "All Stars," I made it part of my business plan. I thought, "Let it work for me." I couldn't fathom people calling me for catering, because of all of the traveling. It was hard for the company to grow. So, I'm focusing on the product before I have a cafe.

You sell tiny cookies on your website. Why'd you go that route?

One of my pet peeves is when you go to the buffet and people break off a piece or a portion and leave the other half on the tray. Nobody wants it. It wastes food. So I said, "I'm going to make things so small that you can't break them off."

bella, etc. Are you all in touch? I saw Spike at the White House Easter Egg Roll. There are these different events in the city. And I saw Bryan Voltaggio. We actually see each other fairly regularly, which is really good.

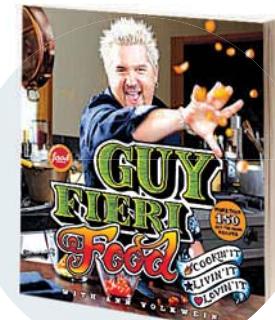
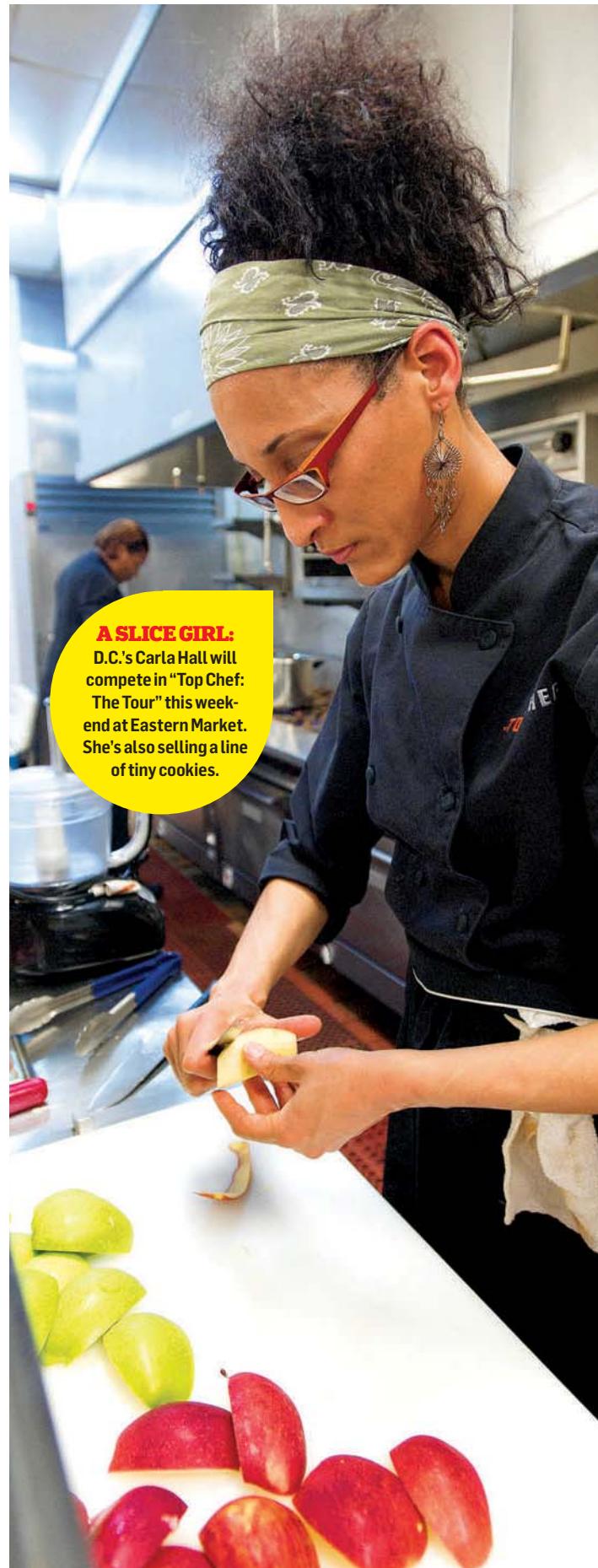
"I tell people to put love in your food. ... Just to be present while you're making it. ... Be there for that little bit of time."

You're a co-host on ABC's upcoming foodie daytime show, "The Chew," debuting in the fall. Should D.C. worry about losing you?

I'm not going anywhere. That's going to be taped in New York. I'll only go up for taping.

When you do open a cafe here, what would be on the menu?

I want it to be approachable. I want comfort. I want food that peo-



Mixed Media This Bold Thing?

Food Network firebrand Guy Fieri is big, brash and often downright bombastic. His latest cookbook, "Guy Fieri Food" (\$30, William Morrow), deserves the same adjectives, what with its stolen-from-a-tattoo-parlor fonts, in-your-face photos of cuts of meat, and recipes for all-American and ethnic fare such as "No Can Beato Taquitos" and "Beer Can Chicken." Like Fieri's hair, it's a bit of a jumble, but lots of fun.

BEST FOR: Fans of Fieri's more-is-more, aggressively flavored food and attitude.

WE WANNA MAKE: "Black-Eyed Basmati Salad," "Watermelon Pork Tacos." JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

ple can pick up if they don't have time. It'll be very casual. Order at the counter and it will be taken to your table. Maybe I'll have a potpie shack!

You have a strong belief in yoga and meditation. How does that come into play with your food?

When I'm cooking, I tell people to put love in your food. All I'm saying is just to be present while you're making it. If you're making a turkey burger, don't be making a list for some paperwork. Be there for that little bit of time.

When you're not cooking, judging, working on a show or doing yoga, what else are you up to?

One of my guilty pleasures is to watch a movie early in the morning. I love Rollerblading.

Maybe we'll see you on the Mount Vernon or W&OD trails? Yup, you will see me!

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COMMENTER JOHN D

"Unlike the growing number of lazy unemployed in D.C., I have a job and have never watched this snoozefest before, so why start now?"

COMMENTER COMMON KEVIN

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COMMENTER ANGRY KEVIN

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"Man, social networks have taken on a loose definition as of late, haven't they? Toyota just announced plans to launch one for its customers, and while our initial reaction was an eye roll and sighs of 'What the world needs now,' the truth is that it's really just a system that uses Twitter and Facebook to let you know when something's amiss."

—DOMINICFALLOWS.CO.UK THINKS TOYOTA'S NEW SYSTEM CALLED "FRIEND" WHICH WILL GIVE PERSONALIZED BATTERY POWER WARNINGS TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE OWNERS, ALONG WITH MAINTENANCE TIPS IS LAME.



Blog Log

"It looks good, but it's really just more of the same. If you've played one 'Call of Duty' game, you've played them all. Hell, if you've played one shooter this generation, you played them all."

—WEBTVHUB.COM WASN'T IMPRESSED WITH THE TRAILER FOR "CALL OF DUTY: MODERN WARFARE 3" FOR XBOX.

"I'm not saying that [Zach Galifianakis] made [January] Jones feel uncomfortable, but putting them together sort of seems like a nerd trying to explain 'Star Wars' to a supermodel. Opposites don't attract."

—CINEMABLEND.COM REACTS TO THE COMIC ACTOR'S RECENT COMMENTS ABOUT THE 'MAD MEN' STAR. GALIFIANAKIS SAID HE WOULD NEVER DO A SEX SCENE WITH JONES AFTER HE SAID THE TWO HAD A RUDE RUN-IN AT A PARTY.



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GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You may be confused between discovery and progress—the one may lead to the other, and vice versa—but they are not the same at all.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You may realize that you've been getting advice from someone who is actually not at all equipped to give it. Some changes need to be made.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) The help you have been getting lately has of course been well-meant, but the truth is that only you can get yourself out of your current rut.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Time is of the essence, and if you don't get an assignment completed on time, there are going to be consequences, surely.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) What appears one way in the morning may appear very different come nightfall, and it will be up to you to discover the reason for this.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) It's a good time to give back to those who have given to you—in kind, if possible. Certain complicating issues arise during the afternoon hours.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You may not realize the power you have over another until you have gone too far. It's a good time to make changes—and amends.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Follow your instincts and you'll be able to navigate a troubling situation that may be too much for those around you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) An argument may arise as a result of an unspoken misunderstanding. What's really happening lies beneath the surface.

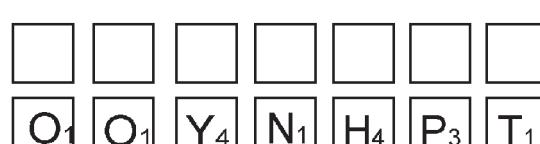
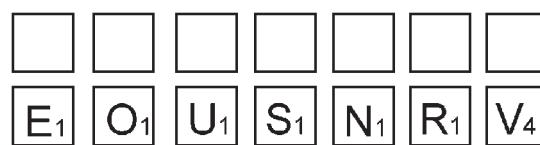
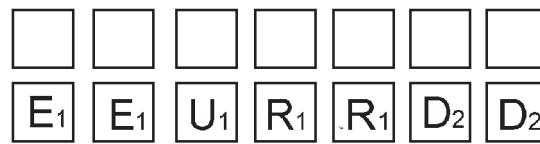
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Despite the depth of your feelings right now, you may not be taken seriously by some—which can only make things worse temporarily.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) A slowdown provides you with an opportunity to see things more clearly. What happens may be symbolic in some way.

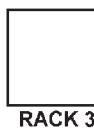
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Take care that you don't jump to conclusions. If you misinterpret another's words or actions, the day could go downhill quickly.

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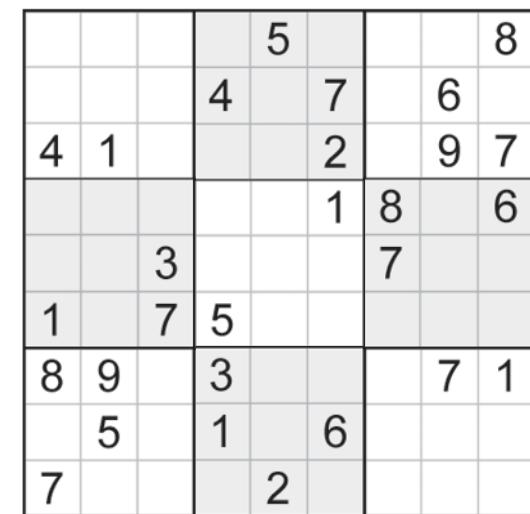
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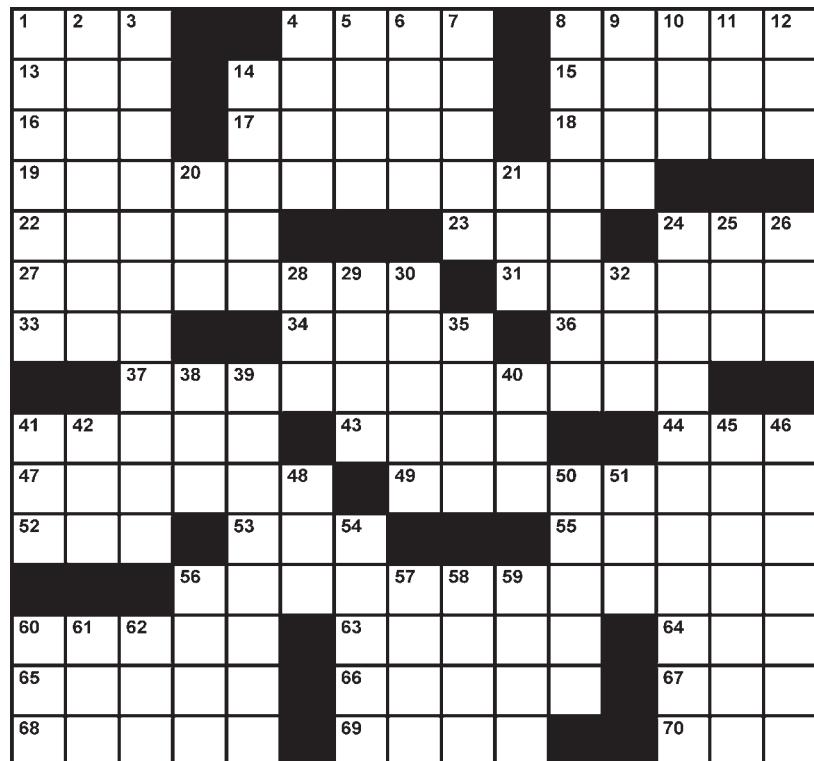
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ACROSS

1 "How ___ this happen?"
4 Catnapper's place, perhaps
8 Abrasive tools
13 ___-track mind
14 "___ be sorry!"
15 Glory
16 Wrigley's field?
17 Come as a result
18 Deadpan
19 Attic or basement, often
22 Voice between alto and baritone
23 "Scuse me"
24 Address on the Web
27 Ammo depots
31 Abduct
33 Fall into decay
34 "The Long and Winding
"___
36 Back-of-uniform words
37 Place to find a bargain
41 Lamb Chop puppeteer
Lewis
43 Baby's first word, sometimes
44 "Spy vs. Spy" magazine
47 "Rain Man" disorder
49 Implant material
52 "Fore" site
53 Bordeaux vineyard
55 No longer covers
56 It's sent to a corner
60 "Bye," in some countries
63 Accepted practice
64 "About the Author" blurb
65 British nobleman
66 Time on the throne
67 Muscle strengthened in rowing, briefly
68 "Secret ___ Man"
(Johnny Rivers hit)
69 D.C. baseball team
70 It can turn one into many

DOWN

1 Sirius or Lassie?



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2 Not yet born
3 Show
4 ___ of Solomon
5 River through Selby
6 Asian and swine
7 A, in Hebrew
8 Mao's realm
9 Plot of farm land
10 Using trickery
11 Bosom buddy
12 Pig's home
14 Be lovesick
20 Ocean delicacy
21 Arctic diving bird
24 Easily forgotten
25 "Diff'rent Strokes" actress Charlotte
26 33 1/3 rpm disks
28 Provide with weapons
29 Arable soil

30 Long-winded stories

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35 Ashton's wife

38 Alleged mentalist

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39 Election problem

40 "Do the Right Thing"

pizzeria owner

41 Was on one's rocker?

42 Artist's choice

45 Deficiencies of red

blood cells

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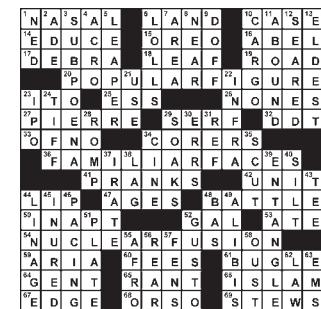
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Yesterday's Solution



Today in History

1935 Babe Ruth hits his 714th home run, at Forbes Field in Pittsburgh.

1961 President John F. Kennedy announces to Congress his goal to send an American to the moon by the end of the decade and asks for financial support for the space program.

1977 The first "Star Wars" movie opens in American theaters.

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GUESS THE BLONDE Meghan McCain? Lauren Conrad? Estella Warren?

Anna Kournikova will replace trainer Jillian Michaels on NBC's "The Biggest Loser," New York Magazine's Vulture blog reported. Executive producer Todd Lubin says Kournikova is part of an effort to move the show "slightly away from just the tape measure, and getting into overall well-being and health." He says he was impressed by the Russian tennis star's motivational skills. (EXPRESS)

SEXY BALLETIC AIR CRIME

This Happens in Real Life?

Willem Dafoe's Rome apartment was robbed Sunday night, apparently by cat burglars who used ropes and mountain-climbing gear to break in. The New York Post reports that the thieves lowered themselves from the roof into the top-floor dwelling, which Dafoe shares with his wife, Giada Colagrande, and absconded with at least \$3,000 of Dafoe's belongings. He was not home at the time. (EXPRESS)



"Who put Willem in Satan mode? We told you NOT TO FEED HIM WHEAT!"

Victims

Models Always Do That When They Molt in Captivity

Actress/model Estella Warren was arrested late Monday night in Los Angeles after hitting three parked cars with her Prius, TMZ.com reported. She was arrested for driving under the influence. She also kicked an officer. During booking at the police station, she escaped from her handcuffs and ran. (EXPRESS)



Nicolas Sarkozy fails to draw attention away from his wife's tumescent womb.

PASCAL SEGUIN/GETTY IMAGES

'LEAVE ME ALONE!'

'I'm JUST BLOATED!'

The man who introduced Carla Bruni to her husband, French President Nicolas Sarkozy, told a Belgian newspaper that the former model is expecting a boy. "I have it on good authority that the baby will be a boy," advertising tycoon Jacques Séguéla told Le Soir. The child will be Bruni's second and Sarkozy's fourth. Though Bruni has not confirmed the pregnancy, Sarkozy's father, Pal, said last week that he was expecting a grandchild (and that the couple did not want to know the baby's sex). (EXPRESS)

IT'S THAT WEIRD Tomorrow, You Will Wonder Whether You Dreamed This

"Jeopardy!" host Alex Trebek traveled to Cumberland, Md., on Monday to fulfill a longtime desire to drive a steam engine. After months of planning and scheduling, Trebek and his crew spent the day aboard a 1916 Baldwin steam engine. The Allegany County Tourism Board said it was pleased to introduce Trebek to the many treasures to be found in Western Maryland. (AP)

"In my line of work, I don't think that they can teach you how to ride disco sticks!"



— LADY GAGA TELLS DAVID LETTERMAN WHY SHE DIDN'T FINISH COLLEGE. SHE ALSO SAID "I'M BATMAN" AND ATE A PIECE OF NOTEPAPER FROM LETTERMAN'S DESK.

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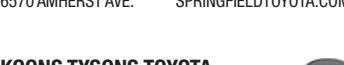
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